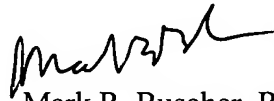


REMARKS

Claims 1-22 remain pending in the present application. Claims 16-20 and 22 have been amended to correct improper dependencies. No new matter has been introduced by the above-amendment.

Early and favorable action on the merits are respectfully requested. Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact Mark R. Buscher (Reg. No. 35,006) at 703 753 5256.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark R. Buscher', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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